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THE MOST MERCIFUL, THE MOST COMPASSIONATE

The misconception of the inheritance of women in Islam.

This suspicion can be sum up as follows:

They claim that Islam did injustice to women in terms of inheritance by granting the male a double to that of the female, the proof is in Surat Al-Nesaa'. " the share of the male is like that of two females." [4:11]

The first answer to this suspicion is to say that

you took this verse (ayah) out of its context, because the ayah says: "Allah thus commands you concerning your children: the share of the male is like that of two females." That means: in this case (the man with his sisters) ,the share of the male is like that of two females.

The second answer is that

The reason why the share of the male is like that of two females is because of the financial responsibilities which are obligatory on the male heir while the female doesn't have such obligations, example of these obligations:

1- The man is the one who pays the dowry for the woman.

2- According to Islam, the male is required to take care of the entire financial needs of his wife and their children even if she is rich!!

3- Also, he is financially responsible for his sister if she is unmarried, so if their father passed away, he is the one who must financially take care of her, spending from his own share while she has the right to keep hers without spending a penny!!

4- He is also responsible for his mother and sisters if his father passed away.

5- The man is the one who is in charge of the payment of "blood-money" for his sister if she can't afford it.

The third answer is that

The female is still entitled by the Islamic law to a half share of the portion of inheritance received by the male, in for cases only, and in other cases the female and the male **inherit equal shares** and in 1/10 of these cases the female inherits more than the male, and in some other cases the **female inherits while the male doesn't!!**

The fourth answer is that

Iif we describe the situation of females before Islam in terms of their inheritance, and her situation in Judaism and Christianity, we will find the following:

1- In Numbers 27:6 "and the Lord said to him, "

27:8 “Say to the Israelites, ‘If a man dies and leaves no son, give his inheritance to his daughter. So, the daughter in Judaism and Christianity inherits only in one case if the dead person had no son, but if he had a son, he would be the only one who may inherit

2- Concerning the Arabs before Islam, Omar described their habits during that time which is narrated in "Al-Bukhari": I swear of God, before Islam we used to despise women till God descended some verses of Quran that explain and guarantee their rights."

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